

On this the 21st day of April, 2014 the City Council of the City of Aransas Pass convened in a Regular Meeting being open to the Public at the regular meeting place thereof in the City Hall and notice of said meeting giving the time, place, date and subject hereof having been posted and prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code with the following attendance to wit constituting a quorum.

PRESENT:

Adan Chapa	Mayor
Phillip Hyatt	Mayor Pro Tem
Ramiro Gomez	Council Member
Billy Ellis	Council Member
Vickie Abrego	Council Member

ABSENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE

PERSONNEL PRESENT:	Sylvia Carrillo	City Manager
	Yvonne Stonebraker	City Secretary

ADMINISTRATIVE

PERSONNEL ABSENT:	Allen Lawrence	City Attorney
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STAFF PRESENT:	Bill Haines	Emergency Mgmt/Admin. Coordinator
	Michael Holmes	Building Official
	Eric Blanchard	Police Chief
	Paul Alvarado	Public Works Director
	Jeff Martin	I.T.
	Cory Elrod	Code Enforcement
	Daphne Garramore	Permit Technician
	J.P. Gonzales	Head Meter Reader
	David Offalter	Police/I.T.
	Earl Buckmaster	Harbormaster
	Sarah Lee	Civic Center Manager
	Ron Howe	Municipal Court Judge
	Margarita Wilhelm	GIS Intern

OTHERS PRESENT:	Virginia Bufkin, Eric Villarreal/LNV Engineering, Alan Jones, Donald Brummett, Ernie & Olivia Torres, Polly Mirkovich, Rosemary Vega/ Chamber of Commerce, Lauren Kotwal/GrantWorks, Jack Chaney/Aransas County Commissioner, Ann Melton, Bob Shoemaker, Annita West/A.P. Progress, Charles Ochoa, Lynn Spencer/San Patricio Economic Development, Ken Phillips, Terry Orf, Liz Bralley, Cindy Evans, Juan Perales, Jr., Mark McLiney & Andrew Friedman/Southwest Securities and Chuck West.
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*There may have been others present who did not sign in.*

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER.

Mayor Chapa called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES FLAG.

Mayor Chapa gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

3. CONSENT AGENDA – “All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember so requests. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately”.

a. CONSIDER AND ACT ON MINUTES ON MARCH 17 AND APRIL 7, 2014.

Motion Made By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Seconded By: Council member Abrego

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Nay:

Discussion: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt made a motion to accept the minutes of March 17 and April 7, 2014 with a correction to agenda item #5 on the April 7 minutes. Council member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

4. PRESENTATION ON FAIR HOUSING BY MS. LAUREN KOTWAL, GRANTWORKS, INC. AND CONSIDER AND ACT ON:

a. RESOLUTION 2014-723 – FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITY STATEMENT

b. RESOLUTION 2014-724 – FAIR HOUSING POLICIES AND PRACTICES

c. RESOLUTION 2014-725 – FAIR HOUSING RECORDING AND REPORTING COMPLAINTS

Motion Made By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Seconded By: Council member Abrego

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Nay:

Discussion: Lauren Kotwal gave a brief description of the Fair Housing Activity Statement. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt made a motion to approve **Resolution 2014-723** – Fair Housing Activity Statement; **Resolution 2014 -724** – Fair Housing Policies and Practices; and, **Resolution 2014-725** – Fair Housing Recording and Reporting Complaints. Council Member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. PRESENTATION ON SAN PATRICIO COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BY MS. LYNN SPENCER.

Discussion: Ms. Lynn Spencer, SPEDC, spoke on the 2013 San Patricio Day on the Hill in Austin; San Pat Co. having a lack of data and the need of a professional web designer. She spoke on County, City and School coming together to define the needs of San Pat Co. (setting a date; serving food; door prizes to bring and keep participants; encouraging all elected officials to come)

6. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING SUSPENSION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION CENTERPOINT ENERGY'S PROPOSED GAS RELIABILITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM INTERIM RATE ADJUSTMENT FOR 45 DAYS ONCE 60 DAYS AFTER ITS INITIAL FILING HAS PASSED.

Motion Made By: Council member Ellis

Seconded By: Council member Abrego

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Nay:

Abstain:

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo stated CenterPointe Energy would like to raise residential gas bills by a dollar.

Council member Ellis made a motion to approve suspension of the implementation CenterPointe Energy's proposed Gas Liability Infrastructure Program Interim Rate Adjustment for 45 days once the 60 days after its initial filing has passed. Council member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

7. CONSIDER AND ACT ON BOND ITEMS:

a. RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS, TEXAS AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION; COMPLYING WITH THE REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15C2-12; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

b. RESOLUTION RELATING TO ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO REIMBURSE ITSELF FOR THE PRIOR LAWFUL EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS RELATING TO CONSTRUCTING VARIOUS CITY IMPROVEMENTS FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS TO BE ISSUED BY THE CITY FOR AUTHORIZED PURPOSES; AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion Made By: Council member Abrego

Seconded By: Council member Gomez

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Nay:

Discussion: Council Member Abrego made a motion to approve a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Aransas Pass, Texas authorizing and approving publication of Notice of Intention to issue Certificates of Obligation; complying with the requirements contained in Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c2-12; and providing an effective date; and, a Resolution relating to establishing the city's intention to reimburse itself for the prior lawful expenditure of funds relating to constructing various city improvements from the proceeds of tax-exempt obligations to be issued by the city for authorized purposes; authorizing other matters incident and related thereto; and providing an effective date. Council member Gomez seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING REQUEST OF HOT FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500 BY THE WOUNDED WARRIOR FAN CLUB “THE BAYRAT CHAPTER” FOR THE COASTAL BEND CLASSIC AND CUSTOM CAR SHOW SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 30 & 31 AT THE ARANSAS PASS CIVIC CENTER.

Motion Made By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Seconded By: Council member Abrego

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Nay:

Discussion: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt made a motion to approve request of HOT (Hotel Occupancy Tax) funds not to exceed \$7,500 by the Wounded Warrior Fan Club “The Bayrat Chapter” for the Coastal Bend Classic and Custom Car Show scheduled for August 30 & 31 at the Aransas Pass Civic Center. Council member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING ENTERING INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH COOPER BILLBOARDS FOR ADVERTISING.

Motion Made By: Council member Abrego

Seconded By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Nay:

Discussion: Council member Abrego made a motion to approve entering into a lease agreement with Cooper Billboards for advertising. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING A FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT ARANSAS PASS COMMUNITY PARK.

Motion Made By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Seconded By: Council member Abrego

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Nay:

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo stated she would like to have a fireworks display at Community Park on Friday, July 4, 2014.

Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt made a motion to approve a fireworks display at Aransas Pass Community Park not to exceed \$20,000. Council member Abrego seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDER AND ACT ON APPROVING CONN BROWN HARBOR ITEM:  
a. LNV SCOPE OF WORK NOT TO EXCEED \$9,900 AND APPROVING AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED.

Motion Made By: Council member Abrego

Seconded By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Nay:

Discussion: Council member Abrego made a motion to approve LNV's Scope of Work, not to exceed \$9,900 and approving Authorization to Proceed. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

12. **CONSIDER AND ACT ON BUILDING DEPARTMENT ITEMS:**

**a. PUBLIC HEARING ON REQUEST OF YIN, INC. TO RE-ZONE FROM (GB) GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO (MH) MANUFACTURED HOUSING DISTRICT AND TO COMBINE (RE-PLAT) THE REQUESTED RE-ZONED PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS, PART OF TRACT 4 & 5, BLOCK 72, MCCAMPBELL, 2.024 ACRES, TO PORTABELO VILLAGE INC. DBA PORTABELO VILLAGE RV PARK, PART LOTS 1 THRU 5, BLOCK 72, MCCAMPBELL PORTOBELLO VILLAGE MH PARK 24 ACRES. THE PROPERTY IS DESCRIBED, PART OF TRACT 4 & 5, BLOCK 72, MCCAMPBELL, 2.024 ACRES. THE PROPERTY IS ZONED (GB) GENERAL BUSINESS.**

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo opened the Public Hearing at 7:55 P.M.

City Manager Carrillo stated Portobello Village would like to expand their R.V./Trailer Park.

Mr. Terry Orf spoke for Yin, Inc. He stated the area where they would like to expand already belongs to the R.V./Trailer Park, and was being used as a storage area.

There was no one present to speak against the request.

City Manager Carrillo closed the Public Hearing at 7:57 P.M.

**b. APPROVING REQUEST OF YIN, INC. TO RE-ZONE FROM (GB) GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT TO (MH) MANUFACTURED HOUSING DISTRICT AND TO COMBINE (RE- PLAT) THE REQUESTED RE-ZONED PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS, PART OF TRACT 4 & 5, BLOCK 72, MCCAMPBELL, 2.024 ACRES, TO PORTABELO VILLAGE INC. DBA PORTABELO VILLAGE RV PARK, PART LOTS 1 THRU 5, BLOCK 72, MCCAMPBELL PORTOBELLO VILLAGE MH PARK 24 ACRES. THE PROPERTY IS DESCRIBED, PART OF TRACT 4 & 5, BLOCK 72, MCCAMPBELL, 2.024 ACRES. THE PROPERTY IS ZONED (GB) GENERAL BUSINESS.**

Motion Made By: Council member Ellis

Seconded By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Votes: Aye: Ellis, Hyatt, Abrego, Gomez, Chapa

Council member Ellis made a motion to approve the request of Yin, Inc. to re-zone from (GB) General Business District to (MH) Manufactured Housing District and to combine (re-plat) the requested re-zoned property described as, Part of Tract 4 & 5, Block 72, McCampbell, 2.024 Acres, to Portabelo Village Inc. dba Portabelo Village RV Park, Part Lots 1 thru 5, Block 72, McCampbell Portobello Village MH Park 24 Acres. The property is described, Part of Tract 4 & 5, Block 72, McCampbell, 2.024 Acres. The property is zoned (GB) General Business. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**c. PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ORDER TO REPAIR, VACATE OR DEMOLISH:**

1. 402 S. HOUSTON ST. (CHERRY HOOVER HARRISON)
2. 964 N. 12<sup>TH</sup> ST. (MARY ALVARADO)
3. 325 N. WHITNEY (JOSE NUNEZ)
4. 330 N. 7<sup>TH</sup> ST. (GEORGE ALVARADO)
5. 360 N. COMMERCIAL (OLIVIA RENDON)

Discussion: City Manager Carrillo opened the Public Hearing at 7:59 P.M.

City Manager Carrillo stated there were houses needing demolished in Aransas Pass and notices have been sent to property owners.

Mr. Jose Nunez stated he had already contracted with a demolition company for 325 N. Whitney.

City Manager Carrillo stated she would like for Council to give Mr. Nunez 30 days to demolish and clear property; after 30 days, the city will go in and demolish, clean and then put a lien on the property.

Mr. Ernie Torres stated he had complained about the properties listed on the agenda for a while.

City Manager Carrillo stated businesses around town could donate \$500 toward demolition and the city would put a sponsor sign on the property for the business.

Aransas County Commissioner Jack Chaney stated Aransas County would like to help with the demolition costs for properties located in Aransas County.

City Manager Carrillo closed the Public Hearing at 8:08 P.M.

**d. APPROVING THE ORDER TO REPAIR, VACATE OR DEMOLISH:**

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Motion Made By: Council member Abrego

Seconded By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Council member Abrego made a motion to approve the order to repair, vacate or demolish 402 S. Houston (Cherry Hoover Harrison); 964 N 12<sup>th</sup> (Mary Alvarado); 330 N. 7<sup>th</sup> (George Alvarado) and 360 N Commercial (Olivia Rendon) and to give Mr. Jose Nunez 30 days to demolish and clear the property at 325 N. Whitney. Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

**e. RE-STATE THE POSITION OF THE CITY IN ENFORCING MODEL SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS AS ADOPTED BY THE STATE OF TEXAS, SAN PATRICIO COUNTY, NUECES COUNTY, AND ARANSAS COUNTY.**

Motion Made By: Council member Abrego  
Seconded By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt  
Votes: Aye: Hyatt, Abrego, Ellis, Gomez, Chapa

Council member Abrego made a motion to approve restating the position of the City in enforcing Model Subdivision Regulations as adopted by the State of Texas, San Patricio County, Nueces County, and Aransas County; re-state the position of the City in its prior and current adoption of the National Fire Prevention Code Standards (NFPA) \* specifically, standards related to road construction and weight; amendments to Chapter 5 of the City of Aransas Pass Municipal Code – Buildings and Construction; and, amendments to Chapter 24 of the City of Aransas Pass Municipal Code – Platting and Subdivisions

**e.1. RE-STATE THE POSITION OF THE CITY IN ITS PRIOR AND CURRENT ADOPTION OF THE NATIONAL FIRE PREVENTION CODE STANDARDS (NFPA)**

**\* SPECIFICALLY, STANDARDS RELATED TO ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND WEIGHT.**

Approved under 12e.

**f. AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 5 OF THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS MUNICIPAL CODE – BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTION**

Approved under 12e.

**g. AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 24 OF THE CITY OF ARANSAS PASS MUNICIPAL CODE – PLATTING AND SUBDIVISIONS**

Approved under 12e.

**13. CITY MANAGER UPDATES: NON-PROFIT SURVEY FOR CITY CONTRIBUTIONS; ENGINEERING UPDATES; PARKS AND RECREATION TOURNAMENT PLAY; ARANSAS PASS CHAMBER LUNCHEON APRIL 24, 2014; TOWN HALL MEETING APRIL 29, 2014.**

**DEPARTMENT UPDATES:**

- a. I.T.**
- b. CIVIC CENTER**
- c. HARBOR**
- d. LIBRARY**
- e. PUBLIC WORKS**

Updates: City Manager Carrillo stated 8 non-profits completed Survey; Parks Department does not request insurance certificates; Aransas Pass Chamber Luncheon is on Thursday, April 24, 2014 and the Town Hall meeting is on Tuesday April 29, 2014.

IT – Jeff Martin – 105 work stations; 10 work tickets a day; working on work order tracking system; training; upgrades; VPN for Public Works (virtually connected to City Hall); hired intern for facebook and website and Fiber is not on Conn Brown Harbor yet.

Civic Center – Sarah Lee – 32 events so far; increase in business (corporate events, weddings, etc.) should finish year in projected budget, maintenance and inspections up-to-

date; 2014-15 FY would like to get new carpet; more storage space and more part-time staff.

Harbor – Earl Buckmaster – water is already 73 degrees; boats have increased; April was a very good month for barge traffic; large trucks tearing up Bigelow Street; approach to boat launches need mending; Rock the Dock was successful – 7,000 to 7,500 ppl – a lot of sea trials.

Library – City Manager Carrillo – 6 applications for Librarian position and 10,000 books have been circulated.

Public Works – Paul Alvarado – Went over service calls; water tank progression and pumps purchased.

Eric Villarreal, LNV Engineering, Bid opening for the Matlock Waterline Project was set for Thursday, May 1 at 2:00 P.M. at City Hall.

Mr. Johnny Perales/LNV, spoke on the FM 2725 waterline, Aransas Pass & Ingleside lawsuit and annexation.

#### 14. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Name: Virginia Bufkin

Address: non given

Concern: Gave information regarding Relay for Life.

Departments Affected: Finance

Name: J.P. Gonzales – City Employee

Concern: Mr. Gonzales wanted Council to know that he was not married and the woman seen in the city truck at Stripes on Saturday, April 12, 2014 was city employee Melissa Snyder, who was being cross trained in meter reading.

Departments Affected: Water

Name: Ernie Torres

Address:

Concern: Habitat for Humanity finally moved their box from South Whitney; kids placing portable basketball hoops on city streets.

Departments Affected:

#### 15. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING.

Motion Made By: Council member Abrego

Seconded By: Mayor Pro Tem Hyatt

Votes: Aye Abrego, Hyatt, Gomez, Ellis, Chapa

Mayor Chapa adjourned the meeting at 9:55 PM.

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Adan Chapa, Mayor

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Yvonne Stonebraker, City Secretary



